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THURSDAY, July 13.—11 a.m.—Auction of One Steel Lighter at Yauwatt by Mr F. Kiene.

THURSDAY, July 14.—Noon—Meeting of Hongkong High-Level Tramways Co., Ltd., at Registered Office.

THURSDAY, July 19.—3 p.m.—Auction of Leasehold Property, at Messrs Hughes & Hough's Sales Rooms.

The China Mail.

HONGKONG, MONDAY, JULY 2, 1906.

THE EDUCATION BILL.

A telling indictment of the Education Bill has been made by the Bishop of Manchester. He charges the Government with disguising a purely confiscatory measure with clauses which pretend to secure "compensation" but which in fact give nothing of the kind. The purpose of the measure would, he declares, be well defined by a short clause to the effect that "on and after January 1, 1908, all existing voluntary schools shall become the property of the Local Education Authority, who shall permit them to be used by their former owners as Sunday Schools, or for evening meetings, so far as may be consistent with their educational use." That, the Bishop declares, would be a frank exposition of the intention of the Bill which may become law in view of the unholy alliance between the Nonconformists and the opponents of any education other than secular. The Education Bill is a long step in the direction of purely secular education. That is the basis of the opposition which is shown towards it both by the Church of England and the Church of Rome. The desire of the excellent Mr Birrell, who by the way in the speech with which he introduced the Bill was frank enough to explain that he was a Nonconformist to the core, is possibly to settle the difficulties attending religious teaching in public schools, in the best and most conclusive way. But he is actually cutting at the very root of religion. One of the provisions abolishes religious tests for teachers. This can of course be represented as a splendidly Liberal concession, and it may be claimed that it removes for ever any penalising for religious belief. On the other hand it means that such religious teaching as is decided upon may be given by an agnostic; by a Roman Catholic to Protestant children, or vice versa. The objection may be raised that the Bill specifically provides that a teacher shall not be required to give any religious instruction, but that is very different from declaring that he "shall not" give it. Attendance by the children at the religious instruction is not compulsory. In other words schools open ostensibly

at 9 o'clock, when religious instruction is given, but children need not attend before 9.40, unless they so desire. Will they desire? What normal child would voluntarily attend the schoolroom to listen to simple religious instruction the while his or her companions were shouting and whooping in the playground outside? It has also been pointed out that making attendance voluntary will be a direct inducement to parents who wish to get as much work out of their children as possible, to keep them occupied at home until such time as the secular education begins, when the unfortunate little things would commence the day's mental work fagged out. But more important than the sufferings of the children would be the ignorance to the State of a large proportion of the rising generation having no fixed views at all on the supreme question of life. France has secular education, and one result is that the primal duty of man is more neglected there than in any other country in the world. Australia has secular education, and her birth-rate is

only a little better than that of France, while immorality among the young is more rife than in most other parts of the civilised globe. The anxiety of the Nonconformists to humiliate and despoil the Established Church does not excite any surprise, but it seems almost impossible that they will allow their rancour to carry them so far as to threaten the welfare of the nation. But that will be the result if Mr Birrell's Bill is placed on the Statute Book in its present form. Still there is the House of Lords.

Attention is drawn to an advertisement on this page concerning a proposed weekly illustrated paper.

The Chinese plenipotentiaries in Austria, Great Britain, and Germany have, it is said, sent a joint memorial to the Emperor in regard to the present condition of affairs political in China and urge that now is not the time to raise the hand against other countries. Though Russia has been beaten by Japan, she is reforming her government and will again come eastward in power and strength. France has her hand on the South and more especially is determined to push her railways into China. Great Britain is in Tibet, and has planted her foot firmly therein, and will not be dislodged. America is exerting herself in the Philippines, and is widening and deepening her power there. Therefore, in view of these facts, there is no likelihood of China being very powerful at present. These foreign ministers then urge three things. They advise first that there be a serious attempt made in representative government by the people, and to establish some kind of a Parliament. They advise secondly that districts should be allowed to have some kind of local government. Lastly they urge that there should be free discussions in the newspapers, of what is going on, and also that all reports of meetings, etc., be published. This, we presume, is intended to instruct the people at this juncture, and so make them gradually acquainted with their power.

The mawkish sentiment of the irresponsible radical M.P. is exhibited so constantly that it ceases to be amusing. Every insignificant fly on the political wheel insists that marked attention should be paid whenever he is pleased to buzz. He buzzes with monotonous frequency. The incident at Tintah, in Egypt, which led to several British officers being maltreated has been seized upon by these irresponsible persons and they have pestered Sir Edwyrd Grey into taking a step which looks rather ridiculous. He is reported to have said that for the future British officers will not be permitted to shoot pigeons in Egypt. This is an interesting study of the logic of cause and effect. Some British officers, animated by the desire for sport, sallied out and shot pigeons. Presumably, although the cables have thoughtfully left much to be imagined in this regard, they did some damage to the crops of the villagers, who promptly attacked the officers, killing one and maiming the others. Not possessing the marvellous prescience which is apparently an attribute peculiar to Liberals, we cannot pretend to know anything of the wrongs and rights of the case. We do know however that Egypt is a country where law and justice are to be found—and we are aware that "the man on the spot" heard the evidence on both sides and decided that the natives should be severely punished. They were evidently satisfied that whatever provocation the natives had received it did not justify them in forming themselves into a tribunal and passing sentence of death upon those by whom they considered themselves aggrieved. The man away from the spot, however, has shrieked with indignation because the murderers have paid the penalty of their crime and this has moved the Secretary of State for Foreign Affairs to decide that pigeons are not to be shot in Egypt for the future by gentlemen wearing His Majesty's uniform. What a triumph of inconsequentiality! Presumably a British officer may shoot anything else on or over Egyptian soil, which propels itself by legs or wings, but he must stay his hand when the succulent pigeon adorns the nearer land (or sky) scape. Thus it is evident that the indiscretion committed by the military man was not damaging crops but shooting pigeons. It would be interesting to obtain the frank opinion of British officers in Egypt in regard to this latest act of statesmanship on the part of the present administration.

However it would be a confession of prejudice to deny that the administration has done at least two things by which it will be remembered. The historian of the future will no doubt seek round for commendatory adjectives with which to describe the ministry which endeavoured to repatriate coolies who pleaded that they should not be repatriated and which forbade pigeon shooting by persons in uniform in Egypt. Of a verity it is a notable record.

LOCAL AND COAST NEWS.

Admiral Togo is to be invited to visit America next year.

Vladivostok has declared Osaka and Kobe infected ports.

A "miniature typhoon" struck Nagasaki on the 18th June.

The Japanese Government has decided to abandon the use of carrier pigeons.

Installations of wireless telegraphy for communicating with shipping are now being asked for by the vernacular press of Japan.

The native papers are discussing an alleged hesitation on the part of the Russian Government to meet Japan's bill for the keep of the Russian prisoners in Japan.

Two "Lukongs," an amah, a screaming Chinese youngster, accompanied by the "Hi Yah" and jabber of a Celestial crowd, was the scene that attracted the attention of passers by in the vicinity of Hongkong's "Covent Garden" yesterday evening. It was nothing; and being nothing, with the aid of two Chinese boys interpreting, nothing could be elicited. It came to the knowledge of the writer afterwards that the boy was a rascal, playing truant from his work, and the amah, his aunt, was endeavouring with as many means of the art of "gentle persuasion" as she could summon to her aid, to induce the little rogue back whence he had run away. "But the 'lukongs' what about them?" Oh! They, of course, were as incapable as usual. Laughed a little and jabbered a bit, and were only too pleased to get away as soon as the scene subsided.

Didn't Know His Client.

"Would Your Worship kindly tell me which is my client?" asked a solicitor of Mr H. H. J. Gompertz, at the magistracy, this morning. The Court smiled, and His Worship remarked that it was rather difficult to say. Explanations showed that the solicitor knew his client only by name, and wanted to know which of the two men before the Court answered to it. He was informed that it was "the man with shoes and stockings on," and the case proceeded.

The "Heungshan" Excursion.

Sunday was an ideal day for the excursionist journeying to Macao. During the early part of the morning the heat in the city was most oppressive, and it was with a satisfied and contented mind that one stretched oneself out on a chair on the cool promenade deck of the Steamboat Company's steamer "Heungshan." Punctually at ten o'clock the bell sounded, and soon after Capt. Morrison had his ship steaming her way past junks and sampans out to the open water. Hord the breeze was delightful and refreshing. The four hours' trip to "The Gem of the Orient Earth" was spent by those on board in various ways, while the delightful music supplied by the orchestra was much appreciated. Cafe Weismann was there looking after those in want of refreshers and his large staff of boys were kept bustling round. After a few hours spent sight-seeing the return journey was commenced at four o'clock. A beautiful breeze prevailed all the way back, and Hongkong was reached in good time for dinner. Altogether the trip was most enjoyable, and to those who have not yet excursioned we commend the trip by the "Heungshan."

Imprisoned an Espies.

One British and four American subjects, who have been in prison in the Maritime Provinces for over eighteen months, arrived at Kobe from Vladivostok on June 22, and applied for assistance to their respective Consuls. The men stated that they joined a Japanese vessel engaged in the sea otter fishery in January, 1904. In August they proceeded to the northern waters and were eventually captured by a Russian warship. Their vessel was sunk and the men were taken to Nicolaievsk. Their money was confiscated and they were confined in the military prison at Nicolaievsk for six months they were transferred to a civil prison, in which they remained until the middle of this month, when they were released. While in the military prison they were fettered and suffered great discomfort. Even when placed in the civil prison they underwent many hardships, their food consisting only of black bread and soup, with a little meat twice a week. The men assert that they were never given any form of trial.

CHAMBERLAIN'S COLIC, CHOLERA, AND DIARRHOEA REMEDY IN INDIA.

MRS Sd. L. HICKOCK writing from Calcutta, India, says: "I have used and will continue to use a good many bottles of Chamberlain's Colic, Cholera and Diarrhoea Remedy, and have found it invaluable as a cure as well as a preventive of cholera. I have found it most successful and so far have never known it to fail if given early in the stages." For sale by all chemists and druggists.

INDIAN AFFAIRS.

PROPOSED CHINESE CONSULATE AT CALCUTTA.

(Chinese Mail's Service.)

PEKING, July 1.

Owing to the increase of matters concerning India and Tibet, the Chinese Government proposes the establishment of a consulate at Calcutta.

Loung Tun Yin is named to proceed to India.

TRAVELLING COMMISSIONER.

APPLIES FOR LEAVE.

(Chinese Mail's Service.)

PEKING, July 1.

Hai Hung Chi has memorialised the Throne applying for a month's leave so as to enable him to proceed to his native place (Canton) on his way from Europe, to inspect his ancestral tombs.

ASSAULTED HIS MISTRESS.

Houseboy Sentenced.

A house boy was charged by Mrs Robinson, of No 6 Mountain View, the Peak, at the Magistracy, this morning, with assault and disobedience of orders. Complainant said that on Saturday she ordered the boy to do certain work and on coming back from Hongkong found it had not been done. She gave another order to the defendant and as he did not obey she threatened to tell the master. Then she just caught hold of him lightly by the queue and asked why the work was not done and defendant swung round and threw a tin at her, which struck her on the mouth. He had hitherto been a good worker and complainant thought the assault was committed in a fit of passion.

The defendant said that when complainant caught hold of his queue he became dizzy. He denied the assault.

Mr H. H. J. Gompertz imposed a sentence of a month's goal with six hours' stoppage for the assault and on the second second ordered defendant to be bound over in the sum of \$100 to keep the peace.

LOCAL AND COAST NEWS.

It is recommended that Chinese Ministers be appointed to Sweden and Denmark.

Plague is still giving a great deal of trouble at Kobe; two children in one family were victims on June 17 and 18.

Cattle in Japan are now reported to be suffering from plague, six fatal cases having occurred on June 18 in Sanuki province.

By order of the Canton Viceroy \$200,000 have been drawn from the funds of the Re-organisation Department to be remitted to Wuhu for the purchase of rice for shipment to Canton. The rice is to be resold at cost price.

Mr Yano Jiro, a member of the House of Peers, who was "rightly regarded as the founder of commercial education in Japan," and who was a member of the suite of the envoy sent to Europe by the "Shogun" in 1862, is dead.

Marquis Ito in an interview with a representative of the Japan Chronicle definitely denied the report that he intends to resign his appointment as Resident-General in Korea; he added that the reports of the recent disturbances there had been greatly exaggerated especially in Europe.

Typhoon No. 2.

Mr Anson P. Wilder, Consul-General for the United States received a telegram from Manila this morning stating that "on July 2 at 11 a.m. typhoon East-Bisayan, approaching Archipelago."

Coolie Held Up.

A highway robbery occurred in the vicinity of Taitam reservoir on Sunday night. The victim was a coolie who has been employed for some time by a shop at Queen's Road West in carrying provisions to Stanley, and frequently also had money with him. Two men who evidently knew this held the coolie up when between Taitam and Wong Nei Chong and told him that if he did not hand over the money he would be stabbed. The coolie insisted that there was \$10 in the basket and taking that the robbers made off. A report was made to Inspector Gormley at Wanchai Police Station and inquiries are being made.

WANTED AT ONCE.

A LITTLE forethought will often save a no end of trouble. Think of the pain of an attack of pain in the stomach or cramp colic when medicine must be sent for. Every family should have a bottle of Chamberlain's Colic, Cholera and Diarrhoea Remedy in the house. It is sure to be valuable as a cure as well as a preventive of cholera. I have found it most successful and so far have never known it to fail if given early in the stages." For sale by all chemists and druggists.

BY TELEGRAPH.

THE NAVAL MANOEUVRES.

EXPLOSION ON A CRUISER.

(Exclusive Service, supplied by Reuters, via Bombay.)

London, June 30.

An explosion has occurred on board the British cruiser "Essex," which was taking part in the naval manoeuvres.

One of the 6-inch guns, which was firing blank charges, burst and a seaman standing by was killed, while a Lieutenant and three other seamen were injured.

THE RUSSIAN RIOTS.

ST. PETERSBURG GUARDED.

(Exclusive Service, supplied by Reuters, via Bombay.)

London, June 30.

The guard at Peterhof has been augmented by four squadrons of Cossacks, who arrived in St. Petersburg for the purpose of guarding the military and naval workshops.

THE TANTAH AFFAIR.

The Sequel.

London, June 29.

Four of the Egyptian villagers, who assaulted the British officers at Tintah, have been hanged, and six flogged. Sir Edward Grey has promised to forbid officers to shoot pigeons in Egypt, and to enquire into the law of flogging.

HONOURS FOR COLONIALS.

London, June 29.

Mr. Alfred May, of the Hongkong Civil Service, has been made a Companion of the Imperial Service Order.

FIGHTING IN NIGERIA.

London, June 29.

Frequent fighting is occurring in Southern Nigeria.

MILITARY DISCONTENT IN RUSSIA.

London, June 29.

Military outbreaks have occurred at Vladikavkaz and Smara, where the regiments have drafted a demand for a better position on the same lines as the Preobrazhensky Guards.

THE DUMA'S CHARGES.

London, June 30.

The Duma Commission, which has been enquiring into the Bielostok massacres, charges the police with having originated the affray, and accuses some Army officers, and the chief of the Police, with encouraging the mob to pillage and massacre.

THE NEW YORK SENSATION.

Charge of Wilful Murder.

London, June 29.

Mr. Shaw has been indicted for the wilful murder of Mr. Stanford White.

RUSSIANS IN MANCHURIA.

London, June 29.

The last Russian detachment in Manchuria has left on its return to Russia, except a small number which will return in 1907.

PHENOMENAL RAINFALL.

Railways Flooded.

London, June 30.

There has been a phenomenal rainfall in the South East of England; in the morning it was found that over two inches had fallen.

In London the railways were flooded and the traffic blocked; the basements of the theatres and the newspaper houses were inundated and had to be pumped out by the fire brigades.

EARTHQUAKE SHOCKS.

London, June 30.

Slight shocks of earthquake have been felt in Wales and Croydon.

THE MISTAKES OF YOUR LIFE.

Do not number among the mistakes of your life that of neglecting to procure a bottle of Chamberlain's Colic, Cholera and Diarrhoea Remedy. Some of your family may be suddenly attacked with cramp, colic or diarrhoea, which are always prevalent during the warm weather, and immediate relief is then necessary. Get it to-day, it may save a life. For sale by all chemists and storekeepers.

COURT ETIQUETTE.

All Over a Coat.

An amusing incident occurred in the Summary Jurisdiction of the Supreme Court this morning—a matter of Court etiquette. Mr. E. J. Grist, who was appearing on behalf of one of the parties in an action heard before the Puisne Judge (His Honour Mr. A. G. Wise), entered the Court robed in the usual black gown, beneath which his grey coat peeped out. After he had addressed the Court, the Puisne Judge noticed the grey coat and pointed out that he could not recognise Mr. Grist until he had changed his coat and donned a black one.

Mr. Grist rose to his feet somewhat discomfited, and Mr. Hursthouse, who appeared for the other party, laughingly expressed his sympathy for Mr. Grist and regretted he could not lend him a black coat.

Mr. Grist left the Court, but after a few moments' absence returned again, this time with a black coat on.

MUSIC AFLOAT.

The Bowling Club Concert.

The Bowling Club smoking concert on Saturday night was at once an enjoyable and novel one. Instead of being held in a hot stuffy room, where everyone would have been uncomfortable, it took place on the harbour on board the fine large launch "Chun Kong," which was admirably suited for the purpose. Under the supervision of Mr. E. G. Jordan, the Club's enterprising secretary, who is an adept at arranging musical concerts, the launch was prettily decked out with flags for the occasion, brilliantly lighted, and in fact everything done necessary to make the trip a thoroughly enjoyable one. Members and their friends to the number of about sixty attended, and all voted the entertainment a huge success. Leaving Blake Pier a little after 9 o'clock the launch was headed out towards Quarry Bay and then on through Lyeenoon pass and back the same way to the Pier where the party landed shortly after midnight, breaking up to the strains of Auld Lang Syne. On the way round the harbour a number of very enjoyable musical items were rendered, and contributed in a very large measure to the enjoyment. Mr. P. E. Brown presided very ably at the piano as accompanist, and Mr. J. Inckley contributed numerous selections in his well-known enjoyable style, on the same instrument. The vocalists were Messrs R. F. Hume, F. T. Chapple, T. Burnett and E. G. Jordan. Mr. Burnett also obliged with two recitations which found great favour. It would be invidious to single any out for special commendation, and it would be very difficult to say which item found most favour where all were so greatly appreciated. During the trip Mr. Holmes, the winner of the recent Bowling Club billiard tournament was presented with the first prize, a very handsome English silver cup. The outing was in every way most enjoyable, and is an idea well worthy of emulation.

THE PEAK TRAMWAY.

An Extraordinary General Meeting of the Hongkong High-level Tramway Co., will be held at the registered office of the Company, Alexandra Buildings, Des Voeux Road Central, on Saturday July 14 at 12 o'clock for the purpose of passing the following Resolutions pursuant to the Order dated the 28th day of March, 1906, made by the Supreme Court of Hongkong in its Original Jurisdiction in Action No. 371 of 1905—

1. That the Special Resolution being the Fourth in Number passed and confirmed at Extraordinary General Meetings of this Company held on the 23rd and 26th days of June, 1905, respectively, together with all Agreements entered into thereunder and particularly the Agreement in writing bearing date the 18th day of October, 1905, made between this Company and its Liquidators (John D. Humphreys and Son) of the one part and the Peak Tramways Company, Limited, of the other part be and the same are hereby rescinded.

2. That the Draft Agreement submitted to this Meeting and expressed to be made between this Company and its Liquidators of the one part and the "Peak Tramways Company, Limited," of the other part be and the same is hereby approved and that the said Liquidators be and they are hereby authorised pursuant to Sections 201 and 202 of the Companies Ordinance, 1885, to enter into an Agreement with the said "Peak Tramways Company, Limited," in the terms of the said Draft and to carry the same into effect with such (if any) modifications as they may think expedient.

Should the above Resolutions be passed by the requisite majority they will be submitted for confirmation as Special Resolutions to a Second Extraordinary General Meeting which will be subsequently convened.

BY WHARF AND WAVE.

H. M. S. "Cadmus" left Shanghai for Hongkong on June 26.

H. M. S. "Snipe" and the French cruiser "Dacartes" were at Kluikang on June 23 and H. M. S. "Britomart" was at Ngankin the following day.

The U. S. torpedo-boats "Bainbridge" and "Barry" arrived at Amoy from Hongkong on June 16 and left for Shanghai on June 18, subsequently leaving Shanghai on the 26th.

Misra-on-Sa, Isle of Shyppur, is to have the distinction of possessing the longest pier in England. It will be 7000 ft. in length.

THE DRAGON'S MOTHER.

Festival at Yuet Shing.

(By our Special Representative.)

One of the many festivals which the Chinese look forward to with keen anticipation is that in honour of the once-famed Minister Chu-ping, commonly known as the Dragon Boat Festival, which takes place on the fifth day of the fifth moon, and about the same time, or to be accurate, three days later, there is another outbreak of religious fervour, the worship of the Dragon's Mother, Long Mo.

This ceremony takes place at Yuet Shing (the Old City), a quiet country village situated about 40 miles (direct) from Shamshui, the latter being, as most people are aware, the terminus of the Canton-Samshui railway.

At Yuet Shing there is a large ancient temple, how old few can tell, though it is said to extend back unto the early days of the Tsin Dynasty, about 250 B.C. The legend runs that Long Mo found a large egg which she carefully deposited in a store and from which a peculiar reptile was hatched. Discovering that this reptile was very fond of the water Long Mo had a pond built for it and there it disappeared itself until one day Long Mo inadvertently let a knife fall on its tail, and it promptly disappeared, reappearing only at intervals. The story went abroad and the reptile was recognised to be a dragon. Long Mo was sent for by the Emperor and valuable presents were made to her.

When she died her body was buried at Sal Yuen, where a tomb was raised in her honour, and years afterwards there was a violent storm, accompanied by thunder and lightning, which shook the surrounding country, and when it had subsided Long Mo's tomb had vanished, her body being ultimately found at Yuet Shing. Around her body the beasts of the country were collected, and the air was filled with their wailing and crying. This startling occurrence so impressed the gentry of the neighbourhood that a temple was erected at the spot.

The annual festival which takes place in connection with this temple occupies several days extending from the seventh to the twelfth day, and during that time thousands of people pass through the temple and supplicate the Goddess to supply their wants. Junks arrive from all parts of the country and special steamers are chartered from Hongkong to make the trip.

The s.s. "San Cheong" was one of the latter, and under Captain McGilly left Hongkong early on the morning of June 27, Canton being reached shortly after 2 p.m. After a brief stay at Canton a start was made for the West River, which is reached through a series of winding channels and passages across the delta of the Canton River. The West River is entered a few miles below Samshui and the run to Yuet Shing, occupying seven or eight hours, is delightful. We arrived at Yuet Shing about 6.30 p.m. on June 28. The Old City is situated in a bend on the northern bank of the river and no less at the foot of a range of hills, which extend, horse-shoe-shaped, from west to east, sloping down to the river bank. As we approached from the east the first indication of habitation was the thatched roof of the temple, which showed above the intervening land. The central spire of the temple is a conspicuous object and naturally strikes the vision first. But on getting nearer we came upon the rice-fields and cultivated area which border the town on the eastern side, and which are fringed with a ring of trees and bamboo groves. The sun was declining as we drew near and the slanting rays fell full upon the bridge, bringing out the wonderful tints of green that nature has here squandered with a lavish hand. All shades of green from the brightest and most vivid of the young rice shoots down to the heavy and dark—almost shadow—hues of the lichee trees, and back of all, extending to the summit of the hills in the rear, was the dull uniform green of the grassy slopes. Singly amid the wealth of bamboo—were the tiny huts of the villagers and farmers, from beside which small wreaths of smoke ascended lazily and melted in the air. It was an air of rest and peacefulness, and visions of the Homeland with its country lanes and quiet villages crept unasked into our minds as we gazed over the ship's side.

A few moments later we came upon a great contrast. A vista of life and excitement was before us, accompanied by a noise which increased as we drew closer. The river near the town was crowded with craft of all descriptions; sampans were wedged in between banks of varying shapes and sizes; large ocean-going junks brushed against the smaller and more familiar harbour junks; passenger-boats, capable of carrying any number up to a dozen or so, ranged alongside steam launches, of which there were between ten and twenty; and small canoes, manned by two men (or women) one at the stern and one at the bow, flitted about incessantly. And above all, distinct by their size and colour, were the white river steamers which had journeyed from Hongkong and Canton. A forest of masts rose between the open river and the buildings on shore and every mast was surmounted by a flag or streamer, many being both red, as is usual with Chinese festivals, was the dominant colour. It was everywhere. All the flags were red or combined red with other colours; the long streamers of bunting were red, or red and white, some being as long as twenty feet; there were red and green flags, and red characters on the high sterns of the Chinese junks and hanging from the flower boats. The flower boats were decorated in a most artistic manner, that is, viewed from the point of view of a Chinaman, and it must be conceded that their appearance was striking, though in the glaring light of the setting sun the tinsel and bazaar effect was too insistent to be evident. The very mass of colour spoiled the effect. It was too harsh.

Behind the boats the town was partially hidden, in most cases only the tops of the houses, which were low, being visible, but this was in no way a detriment. The air and grime which is concomitant with a Chinese town was hidden from sight and in its stead a vista of house roofs was spread. In the centre, and towering over the surrounding buildings, rose the temple, with its bamboo covering, erected to afford protection to the worshippers. There were half a dozen of these coverings erected round and over the central temple and from the midst reared the spire of the temple, surmounted by a crown-shaped ornament. As the hills at the back dip down just behind the temple the spire is thrown into relief by the sky-line and commands attention. The bamboo buildings around it spoil the effect, however.

On the banks of the river, wherever they were visible, were crowds of people, and the sampans, junks and flower boats were one mass of humanity. Painted Chinese ladies lounged in the flower boats, clad in multi-coloured garments of silk; there were merchants and well-to-do Chinese in their flowing robes of white and other colours, most of which were light in hue; there were hundreds of coolies, whose nakedness was covered with but one article of dress, the upper portions of their bodies being bare; and there were hordes of children, some in fanciful attire, others in dingy dress, and some almost naked, if not quite so.

All appeared to be happy, however, at least those who were old enough to join in the festival, and all seemed to be bent on the same mission—to pay tribute to their "joss."

The Chinese passengers of the "San Cheong" hurried to shore and we followed them. To land we had to make our way over the immense number of craft which lay between us and the shore, and the journey was not without its excitement. We clambered along over sampans, squeezed between junks, one foot on one and one on another, and jumped from junk to junk at the risk of a wetting if nothing more, for a fall into the water with the strong current running and the dense mass of boats was an experience not to be sought. Finally, however, we reached the land, without mishap, and soon became a part of the living throng that pushed its way to the temple. We had no choice as to our direction. We had to go with the crowd and wedged so.

Entering the narrow streets the crowd was naturally denser, but the utmost good-humour prevailed, though an apprehensive person may have thought the demeanour of some of the Chinese was threatening. But it was not as Kipling saw Canton, "All dark and inhabited with yellow devils." The crowd had one object in view and they pushed forward to attain it. One rather agreeable surprise was the almost complete absence of smells in the streets. The odours that one is apprehensive of meeting in Chinese cities was not to be found in Yuet Shing, or at least the portion which we traversed. Of course there were bad smells, but nothing in comparison with those of Canton, for instance. The streets were of cobble-stones, and pools of muddy water were frequent, but these were slight drawbacks. We passed by the butchers' shops where the ubiquitous pig was hanging up, dressed, or cooked, or as they came from the slaughter. On the large wooden blocks the butchers were carving away at sides of pork and handing pieces to the expectant buyer. On side benches were concoctions of animal matter that puzzles the average European, but which the Chinese evidently delighted in. The usual fish stalls, sweet meat shops; and other shops were crowded together as though there were a few moments previously, and every body seemed to be busy.

Stumbling over the cobble stones and splashing through the pools of water we at last came to the entrance to the temple and here we had breathing space. At the invitation of a well-dressed Chinaman we partook of tea in a side room, as "far from the madding crowd" as though we had been miles away. Though almost accustomed to the noises we had been experiencing since arrival at Yuet Shing that which proceeded from the interior of the temple was painful. The centre of the temple was a cleared area of stone and here there was a huge fire, which consumed the "joss" paper and fireworks which the Chinese threw thereon to propitiate the Dragon's mother. In small side boxes of earth the devotees placed their candles and other "joss" sticks. The room was a mass of smoke, pungent smoke which filled the eyes and was inhaled through the mouth and nostrils. It was irritating to the senses, yet the glamour of the scene was yet fresh and we went through the room. Very little could be seen of the temple and its fittings on account of the smoke, but pieces of carving and the idols all seemed very much after the same style as most of the temples of Canton and elsewhere in China. It was fading day when we entered the temple, but as we emerged we found that night had fallen and the streets were ablaze with lights. Adjoining the temple was a large room which was used as a theatre and it was illuminated with hundreds of lights. From the ceiling three or four large chandeliers, each containing from thirty to forty lamps, were suspended, and the brilliant rays reflected on the cut glass of the chandeliers, giving them the appearance of a living mass of fire. Outside the flower boats were picked out with lamps, mostly small fat or oil lamps, though in several cases we noted that "acetylene" gas was employed. The difference between the acetylene gaslight and the somewhat primitive fat lamps was startling. As the night wore on the noises on shore and from the craft at anchor increased until about midnight, when pandemonium reigned. The bursting of crackers and the booming of the larger fireworks was added to by the discharging of firecrackers and cannon and the blowing of the whistles of the many steam launches. This noise, continued for some considerable time, but towards

morning died away somewhat, only to re-commence with renewed vigour, as daylight broke. By eight o'clock in the morning the sounds had practically ceased, though each departing flower boat, junk and steam-launch left amid a perfect fusillade of sounds. The clamour of the previous night had prevented sleep entirely, and had preyed so much on the nerves of one individual that he was forced to pace the dock until the noise had subsided a little. Then he peered into our cabin and in somewhat exulting tones said: "I've settled that one!"

"Settled what?"

"Why that confounded steam-launch. Didn't you hear that whistling? I fired four shots at the whistle cord and cut it at last."

By morning the four shots had been unheeded to five or six, and there is no telling how many more it would have amounted to had we not applied the closure. The shots were fired in imagination only. The scene of the festival was left behind by nine o'clock on the morning of June 29 and we were not sorry to again get into the fresh pure air of the morning as we welcomed us up the river.

SOCIAL AND PERSONAL.

Arrangements have been concluded for the establishment of a British post-office in Tientsin.

Mr. C. M. H. Playfair, British Consul, passed through Amoy in the C. M. S. "Maitan" on June 10 on route to Foochow.

Mr. Pokotloff (Russian Minister) is going to Peking, and the Russo-Chinese negotiations are likely to be further suspended.

The marriage has taken place at Tientsin of the Rev. J. R. Robson, M.D., English Methodist Mission, and Miss Morston.

Leave of absence to the neighbouring countries on private affairs, has been granted to Major A. C. Painter, Royal Engineers, from 23rd July to 6th October.

Captain P. T. Helms, the commander of the E. and A. Company's mail steamer "Empire," is taking a needed holiday, and Captain St. J. George has been appointed to the command of the steamer.

Mr. E. A. Smith, an Australian wool merchant visiting Tientsin, obtained judgment against Mr. C. T. Goodacre for \$114.50 compensation for expenses incurred through a bite from defendant's dog; defendant was also ordered to pay \$45 costs.

Mr. Brown, assistant manager of the Hotel des Colonies, Tientsin, volunteered and entered the lion's cage at Spanpan's circus, in order to make a presentation of his courageous handling of the lion Prince, while it was at large in the circus, under circumstances already reported.

The family of H. E. Tuen Fang, sub-stative Viceroy of the Min-Chia provinces, and one of the special Commissioners now travelling in Europe, have received a telegram from his Excellency announcing that he was to leave Holland for home on June 21 and would therefore arrive in Shanghai some time during the last week of this month.

The Yordak Ocho says that the list of war honours to be issued shortly will include the following promotions in the peerage: Marquises Ito, Yamagata, and Oyama to become Princes; Counts Inouye, Matsukata, and Kasura to be Marquises; Admiral Togo to be a Count; Baron Komura and Yamagata to be raised to Viscounts.

Describing the characteristics of President Roosevelt Mr. Maurice Low, the correspondent of the Morning Post, says:—"Mr. Roosevelt has no love of money. The great millionaire is a mystery to him. He cannot understand what pleasure a man derives from his millions, who lives an artificial life in an artificial atmosphere, who affects a great show of state, who must needs live in a castle in Europe six months in the year, and who spends the other six months playing with automobiles and yachts, and drifting about in an aimless sort of way between town houses and country houses north and south according to the season. It is temperamental, of course. Where the millionaire goes motor-ing, Mr. Roosevelt goes walking or riding. He said to a friend once that he was fond of roving, but disliked sailing; there was some fun in pulling a boat, but sailing was too much a lazy man's sport. Possessed of a superb stock of vitality, the physical appeals to him."

WEATHER REPORT.

The following notice is issued by Mr. Figg of the Hongkong Observatory:—"On the 2nd and 3rd 35a. The barometer has risen on the coast of China, and fallen over Central Japan."

The depression is over the S. part of the Sea of Japan. It continues to move Eastwards.

Pressure is high to the N.E. of Japan. Moderate S.E. winds are indicated in the Formosa Channel and the N. part of the China Sea.

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A faction fight took place yesterday between coolies from the Wanchai Cotton Mills and Dutch Petroleum Co.'s works. It appears that different clans work at the respective places, and a considerable amount of bad feeling exists between them. The manager of the Petroleum works, when his coolies are unwell, gives them a bottle of wine, which has a very good effect, and the Cotton Mills coolies, knowing this, demanded some of the medicine. The man the request was made to refused. It is said the applicant for wine at once went off and brought six men, presumably to take the wine by force. A fight followed, in which wounds were received all round, but Inspector Gurdial had some special police stationed in the vicinity in readiness for just such an occurrence and they quickly put a stop to the trouble by arresting seven men who were charged before Mr. H. H. J. Gompertz, at the Magistracy, this morning. They were fined \$2 each and bound over in the sum of \$100 to keep the peace for twelve months.

"DIDN'T KNOW IT WAS LOADED."

Fate of a Chinese Gunner.

(From Our Correspondent.)

CANTON, June 30.

On the 10th of last Chinese month, two persons lost their lives in Kwai Shin, owing to the carelessness of some soldiers. At the same time two others were badly wounded. It happened this wise. At Kwai Shin, a native guard boat was stationed, and at a certain time of the day it was expected that a contingent of soldiers, under a superior officer, was to pass, and it was necessary for the guard boat to fire a salute. It appears from the report that the soldier who was responsible for the loading of one of the guns loaded it with a loaded cartridge, and so when the salute was fired, three men and one woman fell.

Of course there was a good deal of the usual lamentation and shouting, but ultimately the affair was patched up by a money payment and those implicated understood that everything had been arranged. The issue, however, fell out otherwise. The report of the affair came to the ears of the Colonel commanding the District, and he was so exasperated that he had the unfortunate soldier arrested, and when found to be guilty of the mishap, without any more ado, he marched him to the spot where the salute had been fired, and had him beheaded on the spot. What motive he had for this severe act of retaliation was not apparent.

CANTON RIVER PIRATES.

Commissioner Mayer's Comments.

The efforts of the authorities to suppress river brigandage appear to have met with some success in the neighbourhood of Canton (writes Mr. F. J. Mayer in his report on Canton's trade for 1905) and it is claimed that most of the ringleaders have been captured and executed and the gangs broken up.

However, ten cases of steam-launches having been "held up" by pirates were reported to this office during the year, the amount of booty carried off by them being valued at over Tls. 6,000. In most of these cases the crimes were committed by men who had boarded the launches as passengers, and two of the cases occurred within a few miles of Canton. In only one case was a successful resistance offered, and on this occasion one of the pirates was killed and another was captured. On the evening of October 29 a gang of 300 brigands raided the village of Kiang and secured booty to the value of about Tls. 600, principally from a pawnshop. The village is situated close to the river, and a number of Chinese are employed there, and from where the pirates distinctly heard, but apparently no attempt at assistance was made until after the brigands had escaped.

VICEROY SHUM.

His Retrenchment Policy.

Mr. F. J. Mayer, Acting Commissioner of Customs at Canton, thus refers to Viceroy Shum Chin Hsen in his report on the trade for 1905:—"His Excellency the Viceroy having restored order in his native province of Kwangsi, returned to Canton on March 2, and on the 13th of that month took over the reins as Superintendent of Customs from His Excellency the Governor, who had acted in that capacity since the abolition of the post of Hopo."

The policy of retrenchment and of simplifying the provincial administration, which resulted in the abolition of the post of Hopo in 1904, was further manifested in the amalgamation of the post of Governor with that of the Viceroy. On August 4, 1905, His Excellency Chang Ju-Chin handed over the seals as Governor, and shortly afterwards left for his new post as Governor of the province of Shansi. His Excellency Shum now combines the posts of Viceroy of the Two Kwang, Governor of Kwangtung, and Superintendent of Customs for the Kwangtung ports. It is greatly to be regretted that His Excellency began seriously to shortly after his return from Kwangsi, and has not yet fully recovered. His illness has naturally interfered with his plans for the development of the resources of this province and the improvement of its administration."

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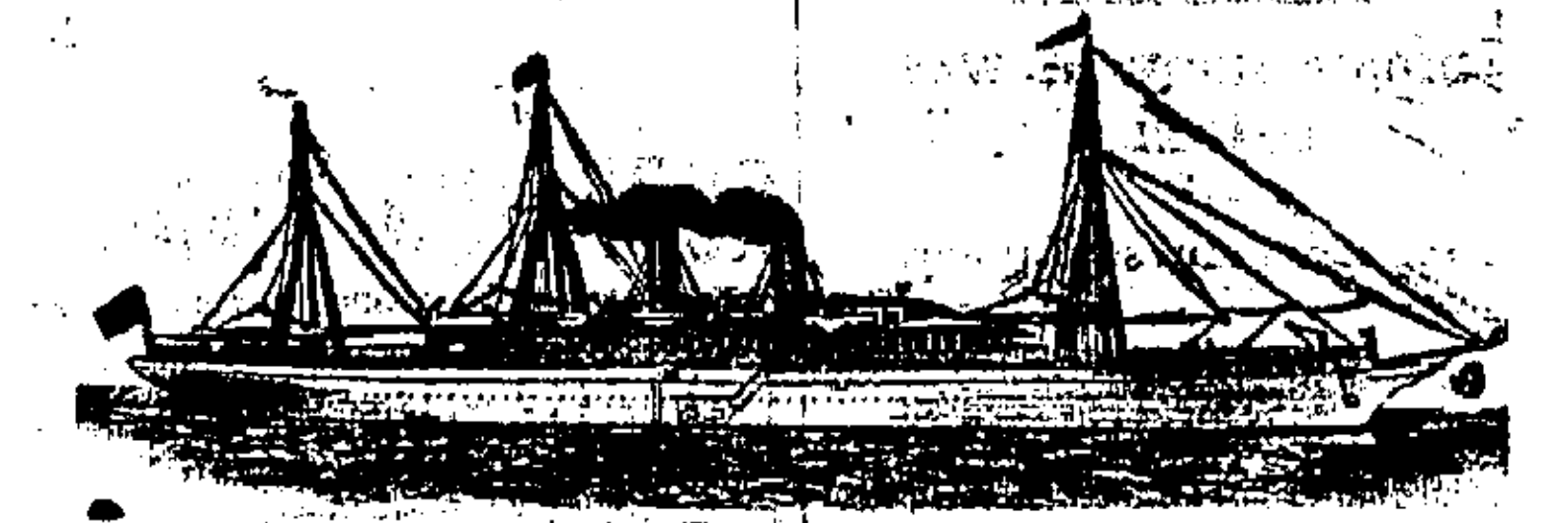
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YOKOHAMA, Via SHANGHAI, DELHI	J. D. ANDERSON	About 15th July	Freight and Passengers.
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MARSEILLES, LONDON AND ANTWERP, Via SINGAPORE, PENANG, COLOMBO AND PORT SAID.	KAMAKURA MARU, Tons 6,126.	WEDNESDAY, 11th July, at Daylight.
VICTORIA, B.C., AND SEATTLE, WASH. Via KEELUNG, SHANGHAI, MOI, KOBE AND YOKOHAMA.	YO MARU, Tons 6,320.	WEDNESDAY, 25th July, at Daylight.

SYDNEY AND WELBOURNE, Via MANILA, THURSDAY ISLAND, TOWNSVILLE AND BRISBANE.	KUMANO MARU, Tons 5,076, Capt. Fraser.	FRIDAY, 13th July, at 4 p.m.
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GLASGOW AND LIVERPOOL	ACHILLES	28th "
GLASGOW AND LIVERPOOL	DIOMEDES	2nd August.
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MANILA	TAIHO	10th July.
SWATOW, WEI HAI WEI, CHERO	HUCHOW	12th July.
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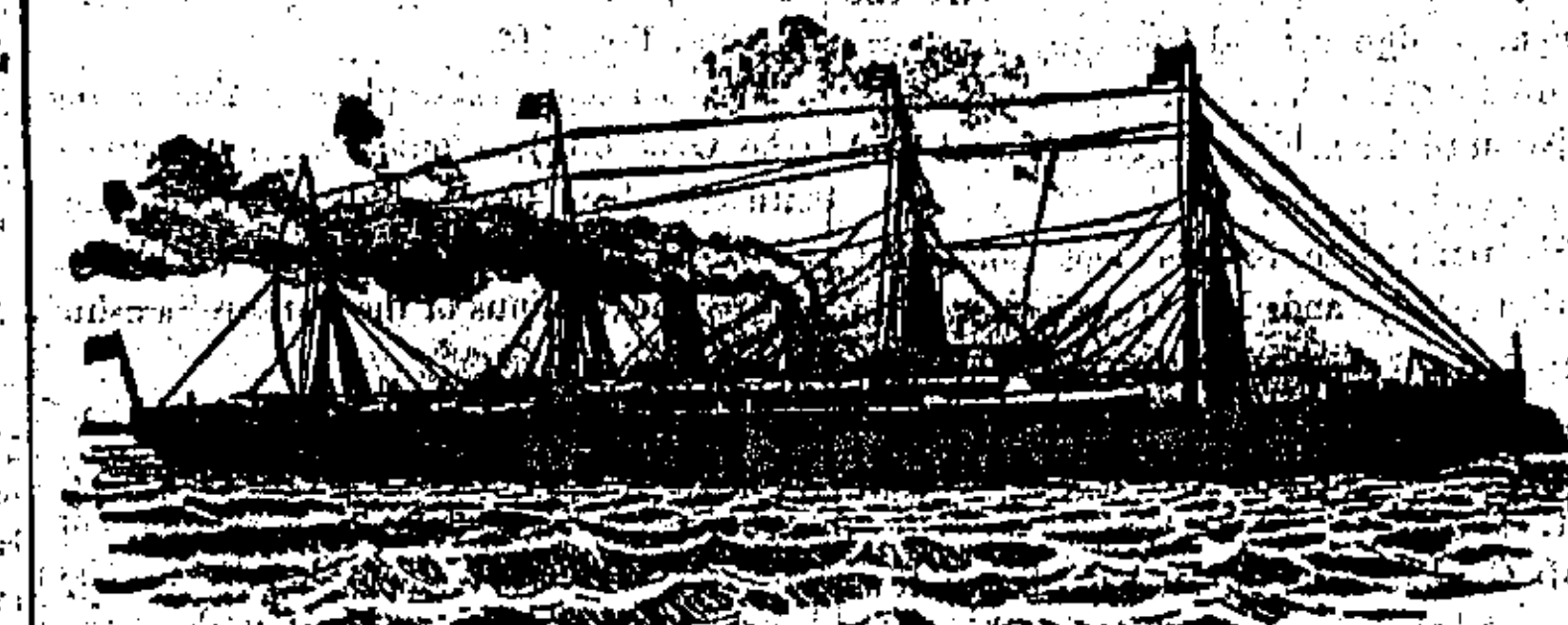
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THE Steamship TOURANE, Captain CHIRAZ, will be despatched for MARSEILLES on TUESDAY, the 10th July, 1906, at 1 p.m.

Passage Tickets and through Bills of Lading issued for above ports, and for Australia, with prompt transshipments at Colon.

Cargo also booked for principal places in Europe.

Next Sailings will be as follows: S.S. TOURANE, July 24, 1906.

S.S. ARMAND BEHNE, Aug. 7, 1906.

S.S. ERNEST SIMON, Aug. 21, 1906.

S.S. CALDONIA, Sept. 4, 1906.

S.S. POSTERIEUR, Sept. 18, 1906.

G. DE CHAMPEAUX, Agent.

Hongkong, June 27, 1906.

STEAM FOR STRAITS, CEYLON, AUSTRALIA, INDIA, ADEN, EGYPT, MEDITERRANEAN PORTS, PLYMOUTH AND LONDON.

Through Bills of Lading issued for BATAVIA, PERSIAN GULF, COLOMBIA, AMERICA AND SOUTH AFRICAN PORTS.

THE Steamship DELTA, Captain C. L. DANIEL, carrying H.M. Majesty's Mail, will be despatched from this office for BOMBAY, on SATURDAY, the 14th July, at Noon, taking Passengers and Cargo for the above Ports in connection with the Company's S.S. Britannia, 6,625 tons, from Colombo, Passengers' accommodation in which vessel is secured before departure from Hongkong.

Silk and Valuable Mail Cargo for Straits and India for London (under arrangement) will be transhipped at Colombo into the mail steamer proceeding direct to Marseilles and London (other cargo for London, &c., will be conveyed from Bombay

